

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on July 12, 2004, 10:00 a.m. the following members were present:

Bob Rowe, Chairman via telephone
Tom Schneider, Vice Chairman (absent)
Matt Brainard, Commissioner, (absent, left his proxy with Bob Rowe)
Greg Jergeson, Commissioner via telephone
Jay Stovall, Commissioner via telephone

APPEARANCE

Robin McHugh, Martin Jacobson

(263) In the matter of In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Protective Order Rules;

Commissioner Jergeson moved to proceed with the publication for proposed rules and that staff is directed to schedule a hearing date for rules. Commissioner Stovall seconded the motion, which passed 4 to 0.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

BOB ROWE, Chairman

THOMAS J. SCHNEIDER, Vice Chairman

MATT BRAINARD, Commissioner

GREG JERGESON, Commissioner

JAY STOVALL, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Judy Scheier
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on July 15, 2004, 1:30 p.m. the following members were present:

Bob Rowe, Chairman (absent, left his proxy with Commission Secretary)
Tom Schneider, Vice Chairman
Matt Brainard, Commissioner via telephone
Greg Jergeson, Commissioner via telephone
Jay Stovall, Commissioner (absent)

APPEARANCE

Scott Fabel
Utility Division

(264) In the matter of AT &T Communications – N2004.6.95 – On June 24, 2004, AT & T filed Tariff Transmittal 2004-10. The purpose of this filing is 1) Revises Text for Unlimited Plans, 2) Rename the Direct Credit Card Calling Plan to the USADirect Credit Card Calling Plan, 3) Change the interstate reference point in the text for the One Rate \$.07 no Fee plan to the one rate of \$10 No Fee Plan as there is no One Rate \$.07 No Fee Interstate Plan, and 4) Introduce two new AT & T Local Residential Calling Plans:

Commissioner Jergeson moved to approve AT & T application. Commissioner Brainard seconded the motion, which passed 4 - 0.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Administrator
Transportation/Centralized Services Division

(265) In the matter of T-04.47.OTSC – Just Limos, Inc., Poplar, Montana requests cancellation of PSC No. 9347, effective immediately:

Commissioner Jergeson moved to approve the request for cancellation of PSC No 9347. Commissioner Brainard seconded the motion, which passed 4 to 0.

(266) In the matter of TN2226 – Lloyd S. Hanson dba Valley Transfer & Storage, Kalispell, Montana requests permission to suspend PSC No. 4991 for the period June 18, 2004 to December 18, 2004:

Commissioner Jergeson moved to approve the request to suspend PSC No. 4991 for the period June 18, 2004 to December 18, 2004. Commissioner Brainard seconded the motion, which passed 4 to 0.

(267) In the matter of Commission Minutes:

Commissioner Brainard moved to accept the Minutes of July 5, 2004. Commissioner Jergeson seconded the motion, which passed 4 to 0.

APPEARANCE

Gary Duncan
Utility Division

(268) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of D2004.4.62, D2004.6.92, and D2004.5.83 – Qwest/OPCOM; Century/Airtel; Qwest/Blackfoot interconnection agreements:

Commissioner Jergeson moved for approval of all three interconnection agreements. Commissioner Brainard seconded the motion, which passed 4 to 0.

(269) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of D2003.6.84 – Lincoln Telephone Company EAS:

Commissioner Jergeson moved to notice EAS petition in Lincoln, MT as soon as possible. Commissioner Brainard seconded the motion, which passed 4 to 0.

APPEARANCE

Will Rosquist, Dave Burchett

(270) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of D2004.7.99 – NorthWestern Energy natural gas Universal System Benefits Charge rate adjustment:

Commissioner Jergeson moved to approve an interim rate on Universal System Benefits Charge on natural gas to be subject to verification restriction. Commissioner Brainard seconded the motion, which passed 4 to 0.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Administrator
Transportation/Centralized Services Division

(271) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of TN 2225 – U.G. Inc. Lease of PSC 2090:

Commissioner Jergeson moved to approve name change of Queen City Limousine, Inc. Commissioner Brainard seconded the motion, which passed 4 to 0.

(272) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of staff travel for Gary Duncan to attend Week 2 of Camp NARUC Aug. 9-13 and for Phil Cooke to attend the NARUC Consumer Affairs Subcommittee annual meeting in Seattle on Sept. 19-21:

Commissioner Jergeson moved to approve staff out-of-state travel. Commissioner Brainard seconded the motion, which passed 4 to 0

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